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FIG. 51 depicts a cardioplegia occluder blood cannula which is upstream from a separately insertable filter which is upstream from a diverter. --

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**IN THE CLAIMS**

Please cancel claims 1-18 and 20-22, without prejudice.

Please amend the following claim.

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- a2*  
19. (Amended) A method for cannulation, comprising the steps of:  
inserting a distal end of a cannula into [a patient] an aorta;  
inserting a filter through a lumen of the cannula and past the distal end of the cannula [into the patient];  
deploying the filter; and  
expanding an occluder associated with the distal end of the cannula.
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Please add the following new claim:

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- a3*  
28. A method for cannulation, comprising the steps of:  
inserting a distal end of a cannula into cardiac tissue;  
inserting a filter through a lumen of the cannula and past the distal end of the cannula;  
deploying the filter; and  
expanding an occluder associated with the distal end of the cannula.
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